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COMMENTS ON DRAFT NON-TIME-CRITICAL REMOVAL ACTION WORK PLAN IR SITES 42, 44/45, AND SWMU 57, U. S. NAVAL WEAPONS STATION, SEAL BEACH

Dear Ms. Tamashiro:

We have completed our review of the above-referenced document, dated December 5, 2006, which we received on December 9, 2006. Elevated concentrations of metals were detected in the soil samples collected at sites IR-42 (copper), IR-44/45 (nickel and zinc) and SWMU 57 (arsenic). The proposed remedial activities at the three sites are to excavate the metals-contaminated soil, and haul it off-site to an appropriate disposal facility.

We concur with the proposed work plan for excavation of contaminated soil.

If you should have any questions, please call me at (951) 782-4498, or send e-mail to phannon@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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